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FOURTH INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS)

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Dear Sir:

Further to the IDS documents previously submitted, the applicant, through its representatives and attorneys, hereby submits a copy two additional Japanese language documents with English translations and a copy of another action of May 29, 2007 in connection with the corresponding Japanese application. While four documents are cited in that Action, two were previously submitted as Documents BA and BC in the IDS of April 9, 2007 (referring to documents 2 and 3 from the JP Action as seen listed on page 2 of that Action. This submission is timely in that it is submitted prior to a first action on the merits. In the event any fees are due with this paper, the Commissioner is respectfully authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 18-0013.

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Please take these additional two documents into account together with all of the document previously submitted and including the background of the invention in the application as filed and make their consideration of record.

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